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In re the Application of

Ryoji WATANABE et al.

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Application No.: 10/647,208

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**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
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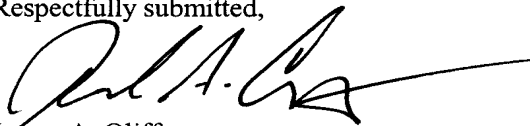
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired July 24, 2009, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested.

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